



SP RIIO-T2 Annual Environmental Report Commitments Update

2025/2026



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Sustainable Society

EAP Section	EAP Commitment	Target Year	Commitment Completion Stage	RAG
Achieving the Sustainability step-change	We will maintain and continually improve our ISO14001 certified Environmental Management System to achieve ‘beyond compliance’ environmental performance.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will embed a process for Initial Environmental and Sustainability Reviews (IESRs) for all relevant projects, to identify potential environmental issues and opportunities at the earliest stage.	By 2021	Complete	G
	We will improve the quality of environmental data collected and analysed at all stages of the asset lifecycle, investing in enhanced geospatial systems and formalising data sharing collaborations with key stakeholders.	By 2023 - amended date to Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will continue to ensure that our staff, contractors and supply chain have the skills and knowledge to move beyond compliance and achieve our Sustainability Goals.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will continue to drive industry-wide collaboration in RIIO-T2 for the benefit of all customers.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will continue to engage our key environmental stakeholders via our Sustainable Stakeholder Working Group, ensuring progress via collaboration activities arising from this engagement.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will continue to provide transparent reporting of our environmental and sustainability performance publishing an annual report of our progress against all environmental and sustainability commitments (as detailed in our Environmental Action Plan in Annex 7) in line with metrics and a format developed in collaboration with the other TOs.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G

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<p>Our commitments to accommodate the sustainability step change provide a framework to move ‘beyond compliance’, improve the quality and completeness of our environmental data, improve our environmental training provision for staff and build on our ongoing collaborate with other networks and infrastructure companies.</p> <p>Benefits: Delivering this group of commitments will allow us to deliver our strategic goals, shift the focus upstream from operational impacts to those occurring in our supply chain and during the design and construction of our assets, ensure that training is provided in the new processes and systems introduced to deliver compliance with our T2 commitments and identify and share best practice by working together with our peers to find practical and optimal solutions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Annual satellite audits conductedIP2 Guidance updated to include environmental considerationsEnvironmental Data Strategy createdStaff training planned, with annual completion percentage reportedSupply chain engagement with SCSS monitored and included in supply chain reportingStakeholder Engagement Plan deliveredAnnual Environmental Report (AER) published	<div>G</div>	<p>In the 2025/26 regulatory year, SPEN retained its ISO 14001 certification following an external surveillance audit of its Environmental Management System. Audit recommendations and improvement opportunities are being embedded into internal processes to support continuous improvement.</p> <p>SPT Major Projects completed a comprehensive review and update of its Contractors Environmental Performance Requirements, strengthening environmental governance for project delivery through enhanced sustainability requirements, technical specifications, document management expectations and clearer responsibilities for environmental authorisations and compliance.</p> <p>SPT has continued to strengthen sustainability capability by allocating sustainability training to staff and supporting supply chain learning through the Supply Chain Sustainability School. Stakeholder engagement also continued through collaboration with Scottish Government, Transmission Owner forums and wider infrastructure partners, helping align approaches on sustainability reporting, supply chain requirements and environmental commitments.</p>

Supply Chain Sustainability

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Supply Chain Sustainability	We will increase our internal supply chain management resources to enable the collection and analysis of enhanced data and a greater level of collaborative working.	By 2021	Complete	G
	We will become a Supply Chain Sustainability School Partner, requiring contractors and suppliers for all new contracts to become members and undertake relevant sustainability and environmental training.	By 2023	Complete	G
	We will further enhance environmental management standards and KPIs within contract specifications and supplier codes of conduct (including requirements for public disclosure of metrics) and cascade to all relevant suppliers.	By 2021 - amended to 2023	Complete	G
	We will introduce consideration of environmental sustainability in our procurement processes in line with ISO20400 Sustainable Procurement Standard, including a carbon metric as a minimum.	By 2023	Complete	G
	We will report on the actual percentage of suppliers (by value) meeting these standards.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will target more than 80% of RIIO-T2 suppliers (by value) meeting these enhanced environmental standards.	By 2026	Complete	G
	We will engage with suppliers early in the development of projects to enable them to propose environmental improvements at concept and design stages	By 2026	Complete	G
	We will engage with suppliers throughout the duration of their contracts to continue to reduce impacts and optimise benefits	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will work in collaboration with our suppliers and industry peers to develop a suite of targets and impact metrics designed to drive environmental improvements throughout our value chain.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G

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<p>Our supply chain commitments will minimise environmental impacts, set enhanced environmental standards and drive industry-wide environmental improvements, drawing on the huge breadth and depth of expertise and services within our supply chain.</p> <p>Benefits: Delivering this commitment will enable us to deliver our strategic vision of being a sustainable network business, reduce our environmental impacts, drive best practice within the industry, identify new processes to drive sustainable procurement and ensure our staff, contractors and suppliers have the knowledge and skills to move beyond compliance and achieve our Sustainability Goals.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New job roles created to support supply chain sustainability• SCSS (Supply Chain Sustainability School) Partner status achieved• Environmental standards updated in supplier contracts• Alignment with ISO 20400 (Sustainable Procurement)• Enhanced supply chain reporting to measure new requirements• Supplier engagement plan developed, including creation of supply chain metrics	<div>G</div>	<p>During RIIO-T2, SPT reviewed suppliers and contractors to identify those with the greatest influence on environmental performance, creating a priority supplier list of 220 suppliers representing 90% of total supplier value. This enables targeted engagement where it can have the greatest impact, while smaller contractors continue to be supported through the Supply Chain Sustainability School and Scottish Business Climate Collaboration.</p> <p>By the end of 2025/26, 84% of suppliers by value were meeting enhanced environmental standards, up from 78% in 2024/25 and 47% in 2022/23. In 2025/26, 62% of suppliers by value had their own sustainability metrics or KPIs, compared with 59% in 2024/25.</p> <p>SPT has also updated Contractor Environmental Performance Requirements to include stronger sustainability expectations, including carbon management plans, and established quarterly engagement calls with 19 strategic partners to maintain momentum on sustainability performance, good practice and carbon reduction expectations.</p>

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Strategic Carbon Reduction	We will adopt a science based target for scope 1* & 2* carbon reduction.	By 2021	Complete	G
	We will identify, and subsequently monitor, metrics to track progress towards our science-based carbon reduction targets.	By 2021	Complete	G
	We will adopt a science based target for scope 3* carbon reduction.	By 2023	Complete	G
	We will implement processes for carbon management in relevant business activities, aligned with PAS 2080 Carbon Management in Infrastructure.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G

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<p>We will set science-based targets in line with the Science Based Targets Initiative methodologies and align our processes with PAS2080 standards.</p> <p>Benefits: By setting validated science based targets we will publicly commit to reducing our BCF by an average of 4.2% per year during the RIIO-T2 period. This is equivalent to a reduction of 4,500 tCO₂e/yr</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Collaborated with external experts to define Science-Based Targets (SBTs)Submitted SBTs to the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) for validationReviewed and updated internal processes to align with PAS 2080 requirementsEstablished tracking of SBT metrics to monitor progress and ensure delivery	<div>G</div>	<p>In 2025/26, annual Business Carbon Footprint excluding losses was 17,014 tCO₂e using the market-based methodology, remaining 30% below the business plan forecast of 25,382 tCO₂e. Reductions against forecast were driven by improved data quality, continued use of a 100% renewable electricity tariff for offices and depots, and lower than forecast SF₆ leakage rates, partly offset by higher operational vehicle mileage.</p> <p>Reported annual BCF excluding losses is 9% higher than at the start of RIIO-T2 due mainly to a revised methodology that more accurately estimates unmetered substation electricity consumption. On a like-for-like basis using the previous methodology, the 2025/26 Scope 1 and 2 footprint would have been 12,903 tCO₂e, representing a 52% reduction against the business plan and a 10% reduction since the start of RIIO-T2.</p> <p>SPT has strengthened carbon management processes aligned with PAS 2080, introduced carbon management plans for projects and continues to embed Net Zero Transition Plan governance, targets and supplier requirements into delivery.</p>

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Business Carbon Footprint - Other - Fleet - Scope 1	We aim to decarbonise our operational fleet by replacing 100% of our 72 cars and vans with electric alternatives by the end of T2.	By 2026	Ongoing	R
	We will strive to lead the decarbonisation of fleet vehicles, working with suppliers and other fleet operators to pilot technically viable alternatives to drive technical advancements and early adoption.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G

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<p>Our fleet commitments will accelerate the electrification of our operational fleet, targeting the end of T2. This ambitious target will require the early adoption of new technology and considerable effort to address the various technological, regulatory and economic challenges.</p> <p>Benefits: 319 tCO₂e avoided</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Pilot technically viable options100% electrification of cars & vans	<div>R</div>	<p>In 2025/26, SPT continued to progress operational fleet decarbonisation. By the end of RIIO-T2, 11 internal combustion engine vehicles had been replaced with electric alternatives, comprising seven light commercial vehicles and four cars. This provides a platform for continued fleet decarbonisation in RIIO-T3, although the original target to replace 72 cars and vans with electric vehicles was not met due to market constraints, vehicle availability and limitations in operational performance for some use cases.</p> <p>By the end of RIIO-T2, 69 EV charging points had been installed at substations, supporting operational fleet charging while on site. SPT also launched a home start initiative to install EV chargers at the homes of staff operating fleet vehicles. Lower-carbon alternatives are also being explored where full electrification is not yet viable, including plug-in hybrid 4x4s and collaboration with third-party charging providers to improve nationwide coverage.</p>

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Business Carbon Footprint – Sulphur Hexafluoride (SF ₆) - Scope 1	We will continue to require manufacturers to provide equipment with an SF ₆ leakage rate which is half that of the internationally recognised standards, where technically viable.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will use alternatives to SF ₆ insulating gas for all new circuit-breakers and GIS installations where there are technically feasible market-ready solutions.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will continue to carefully monitor and manage our assets to minimise SF ₆ leakage, repair leaks quickly, and where this is not possible, replace the asset before its anticipated end of life	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	Where a repair to a leaking asset proves ineffective and the asset requires to be replaced, we will offset the SF ₆ emissions from that asset until its replacement via a Carbon Offsetting partner.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will drive the development and adoption of SF ₆ -free technologies, collaborating with supply chain and industry peers and piloting new technologies where technically viable.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G

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<p>Our SF₆ commitments will ensure that SF₆ emissions are minimised during the price control period in line with our SF₆ strategy.</p> <p>Benefits: By delivering our SF₆ Strategy we will avoid adding an estimated 9,700kg of SF₆ to our inventory. This will avoid estimated additional annual emissions of 51.8kg (1,200 tCO₂e).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Set Enhanced Equipment StandardsAdopt SF₆ Alternatives in New InstallationsStrengthen Asset Monitoring and ManagementOffset Emissions from Irreplaceable Leaking AssetsAccelerate SF₆-Free Technology Development	<div>G</div>	<p>SPT continued to work with industry partners and its supply chain to advance SF₆-free technologies, prioritising equipment that does not contain SF₆ where feasible. SF₆ performance shows continued progress, with emissions increasing slightly from 12,085 tCO₂e in 2021/22 to 14,419 tCO₂e in 2025/26, which is 39% below the business plan forecast of 23,786 tCO₂e.</p> <p>This reduction has been delivered through leak reduction activity, proactive monitoring and targeted repairs of leaking assets. Circuit breakers previously identified as emitting gas and not included in the T2 SF₆ repair plan are now held on a register with agreed interventions ranging from enhanced monitoring to manufacturer-supported repairs.</p> <p>SPT has also signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Hitachi Energy to supply SF₆-free solutions through the EconiQ portfolio, with first deployment of EconiQ 420kV GIS planned for two new substations.</p>

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Business Carbon Footprint - Other - Buildings Energy Reductions - Scope 2	We will implement energy efficiency measures as part of our RIIO-T2 building refurbishment programme at 48 substations (representing around 1/3 of our sites) with the aim of reducing energy consumption by more than 1000MWh per year.	By 2026	Ongoing	<div>R</div>

Description and expected benefit	Implementation milestones	RAG Indicator	Status Update
<p>We will undertake a programme of works to install holistic refurbishment solutions, specifically aimed at creating low energy use substation buildings</p> <p>Benefits: Energy efficiency measures and renewables to be delivered at one third of our substations with an estimated 328 tCO₂e avoided.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify SitesIdentify technologies to be installedTender and Procure contractImplementation Plan for roll out of programme of worksTrack and monitor	<div>R</div>	<p>Although the substation refurbishment programme started later than originally planned, 22 sites were completed during RIIO-T2, delivering an estimated electricity saving of 532 MWh. Remaining sites will progress during RIIO-T3, building on lessons learned and delivery momentum established during RIIO-T2.</p> <p>Alongside refurbishments, SPT is installing photovoltaic systems where suitable and undertaking targeted structural improvements to concrete and steel elements within substation buildings. These works extend asset life, reduce need for new construction and lower energy consumption.</p> <p>Reported substation energy emissions increased in 2025/26, mainly due to a revised methodology that more accurately estimates unmetered substation electricity consumption, increasing reported kWh on a standard tariff by 132% compared with the historical annual average.</p>

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Losses Carbon Footprint - Scope 2	We will implement our T2 Losses Reduction Strategy to reduce losses on the network by an estimated 14,500 MWh (circa 3% of 2018/19 losses), thereby limiting losses to a lower level than would otherwise be the case, where this is economic and provides benefit to customers.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	<div>G</div>

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<p>Implementation of our RIIO-T2 Losses strategy to reduce losses on the transmission system where it is economic to do so and provides benefit for customers.</p> <p>Benefits: Reduce losses to a lower level than would otherwise be the case through asset replacement using lower loss equipment avoiding 2097 tCO₂e of emissions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Losses Reduction StrategyReduce losses by 3% from 2018/19 baseline	<div>G</div>	<p>Losses reduced during RIIO-T2 and are now below the 2018/19 baseline, with annual losses falling by around 14% and associated emissions reducing by approximately 46%. Despite delays to some planned projects, wider delivery under the Losses Reduction Strategy achieved the overall target, mitigating over 14,540 MWh of losses and creating further opportunities for future reductions.</p>

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Reducing Embodied Carbon - Scope 3	We will identify, and subsequently monitor and report, metrics to track progress towards our Scope 3 science-based carbon reduction target.	By 2023	Complete	<div>G</div>
	We will work collaboratively with our stakeholders, including the other Transmission Operators, throughout RIIO-T2 with the aim of assessing and managing capital carbon on our projects, driving efficiencies throughout our supply chain, and sharing best practice.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	<div>G</div>
	We will collaborate with our supply chain and other Transmission Operators to drive scope 3 and embodied carbon footprint reductions.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	<div>G</div>
	We will, in collaboration with the other Transmission Operators, introduce a measurement tool for embodied carbon in new projects, in order to establish a baseline and set a reduction target.	By 2023	Complete	<div>G</div>
	We will collaborate with our supply chain to implement sustainable project sites to reduce carbon and other impacts, for example energy efficiency, diesel use, re-use of materials and reducing impact of transportation.	By 2023	Complete	<div>G</div>

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<p>We will develop a PAS2080 Implementation Plan and collaborate with our supply chain and other TOs to introduce an embodied carbon measurement tool and metrics to track performance.</p> <p>Benefits: This will allow us to cost projects in terms of carbon emissions, which will allow us to understand, report and take action to reduce carbon, in line with recommendations from PAS 2080 Carbon Management in Infrastructure Specification.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Develop PAS2080 Action PlanCollaborate on Carbon Tools with supply chain and other TOsPilot tool on selected projects.Set embodied carbon reduction target	<div>G</div>	<p>SPT made strong progress in understanding embodied carbon across projects, doubling the number of project assessments completed. This is the second year in which full embodied carbon has been assessed, including both electrical assets and civil works. Electrical assets and cables remain the largest emissions sources, accounting for 81% of total assessed emissions, with concrete accounting for 9% and steel for 2%.</p> <p>Contractor Environmental Performance Requirements have been updated so contractors must provide embodied carbon assessments at multiple project stages and prepare carbon management plans setting out practical actions to reduce emissions. SPT is also moving to a new carbon assessment tool to improve consistency between in-house and contractor-led assessments and align with other Transmission Operators.</p> <p>A RIIO-T3 allowance, including a 0.3% cost uplift, has been secured to support wider adoption of lower-carbon materials where they are not yet cost competitive.</p>

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Climate Change	We will undertake detailed Flood Risk Assessments at our remaining 10 high risk sites and implement identified measures to mitigate the risk to the network from flooding.	By 2026	Complete	<div>G</div>
Adaptation	We will publish a report in line with the 3rd Round of Adaptation Reporting under the Climate Change Act, in line with the Energy Networks Association work to produce a sector report.	By 2026	Complete	<div>G</div>

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<p>We will undertake detailed Flood Risk Assessments (FRA) at all 10 identified high risk sites and implement mitigation measures which will mitigate the risk to the network from flooding.</p> <p>Benefits: Risk of flooding is mitigated, ensuring that the network is robust and resilient.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Flood risk assessments undertakenMitigation works completedClimate Change Adaptation Report	<div>G</div>	<p>All ten Flood Risk Assessments have now been completed, identifying four sites requiring remediation. Implementation has commenced across all four sites, with works completed at one location and progressing at two others, both of which are expected to be completed by the end of 2026. Works at the final site have been delayed due to the requirement for planning consent; this process is now underway. As the final site cannot be completed within the RIIO-T2 period under the current planning conditions, we continue to engage with the local authority and stakeholders to identify an efficient, cost-effective solution and complete the necessary works as soon as possible.</p>

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Net Zero Fund	The RIIO-T2 T2 Net Zero Fund (NZF) is a £5m Use It Or Lose It (UIOLI) Fund, intended to provide guidance and support to consumers and communities in vulnerable situations and contribute to the UK’s Net Zero objectives. This fund builds upon the previous Green Economy Fund which supported community initiatives aligned to Scotland’s and the UK’s ambitious Net Zero targets (details of our existing Green Economy Fund projects can be found on our website).	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	<div>G</div>

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<p>The Transmission Net Zero Fund will to assist communities in vulnerable circumstances to build their capacity to address their energy issues, engage with the low carbon transition and contribute to the UK’s net zero objective.</p> <p>Eligible communities can access support to make informed decisions, explore options, and develop projects to address energy needs and issues they face.</p> <p>The fund will operate in three phrases including providing workshops which will be tailored to respond to the needs of each community group based on where they are in the net zero journey, developing formal plans and supporting communities to realise their Net Zero ambitions.</p> <p>Benefits: We estimate that this fund will deliver at least £3 worth of social benefits for every £1 invested.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify ProjectsEngage with communitiesBuild Support SystemsCollaboration with expertsSupport delivery of projects	<div>G</div>	<p>SP Energy Networks’ £5 million Net Zero Fund has helped communities, particularly those most at risk of being left behind, to build knowledge, confidence and resources to participate in the transition to Net Zero. Over the five years of the fund, the programme delivered 32 capacity building workshops and 22 detailed feasibility studies.</p> <p>More than £3.1 million has been invested in 26 energy efficiency and low carbon projects, including renewable energy installations, building retrofits, smart heating technologies and electric vehicles. Funded projects are forecast to deliver carbon savings of 25,516 tCO₂e.</p> <p>Based on funding application data, the projects are estimated to generate a Social Return on Investment of £2.85 for every £1 invested over their maximum benefit lifetime.</p>

Action for Nature

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Preventing Pollution	We will target zero environmental regulatory interventions and notifiable breaches	Throughout RIIO-T2	Ongoing	R
	We will deliver our RIIO-T2 programme of mitigation measures (oil containment) for pollution prevention, developed via a condition-based asset risk assessment process.	By 2026	Ongoing	R
	We will implement Pollution Prevention Plans for all future projects for RIIO-T2 and beyond.	By 2026	Complete	G
	We will implement a programme to identify, risk assess and address high risk legacy land contamination.	By 2026	Complete	G
	We will eliminate PCBs from our network in compliance with the relevant legislation and in line with the industry approach agreed with the Environmental Regulators.	By end Dec 2025	Ongoing	R

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<p>This group of commitments deliver pollution prevention and environmental compliance initiatives.</p> <p>Benefits: PCB removal in line with legislation, upgraded bunds to prevent oil pollution, remediation of legacy land contamination.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Target zero environmental regulatory interventions & notifiable breachesDelivery of bunding programmePollution Prevention PlansLegacy land remediationremoval of PCB assets from network	<div>R</div>	<p>During the reporting period, SP Transmission reported two environmental incidents to SEPA: Both incidents underwent appropriate investigation and pollution containment with follow-up actions undertaken.</p> <p>Pollution Prevention Plans are now included on all major transmission projects, with controls covering watercourses, drainage, dewatering, COSHH storage, concrete and bentonite, soil management and wet weather protocols. Drainage plans for around 200 substations have also been mapped, printed and displayed in control rooms alongside Pollution Prevention Plans and emergency spill kits.</p> <p>SPT continues to progress PCB removal, oil mitigation and maintenance, legacy land contamination assessment and bunding improvements, including 17 bund upgrades across five sites during RIIO-T2.</p>

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Land & Biodiversity	We will work collaboratively with our stakeholders, including the other Transmission Operators, throughout RIIO-T2 to develop and pilot a common approach and robust methodologies for delivering Biodiversity Net Gain alongside Natural Capital assessment and enhancement.	By 2021 - amended date Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will pilot these biodiversity and natural capital assessment methodologies and associated tools on selected RIIO-T2 projects	By 2023	Complete	G
	We will embed these biodiversity and natural capital assessment methodologies and associated tools in our business decision making processes for projects and the management of existing sites.	By 2023	Complete	G
	We will identify, and subsequently monitor and annually report, metrics to baseline and track the levels of biodiversity and value of natural capital on our sites and the achievement of our targets.	By 2021 - amended date Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will work with our local communities, landowners and other stakeholders to deliver 'no net loss' in biodiversity and identify options for delivering 'net gain'.	By 2026	Complete	G
	We will work with our local communities, landowners and other stakeholders to deliver a net positive impact in natural capital across our existing sites.	By 2026	Complete	G

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<p>Our biodiversity and natural capital commitments will allow us to develop biodiversity and natural capital actions plan in collaboration with our stakeholders, local communities and other TOs to protect and enhance the natural environment in which we work.</p> <p>Benefits: No Net Loss</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Baseline site biodiversity levelsDevelop tools and methodsPilot & embed tools and methodsNet gain in BiodiversityPositive impact in Natural Capital	<div>G</div>	<p>In 2025/26, SPT upheld its internal commitment to 10% Biodiversity Net Gain across all projects consented by local authorities or the Scottish Government Energy Consents Unit. Due to limited land availability and rapid network expansion, SPT has favoured off-site habitat creation and improvement, working closely with communities, stakeholders and landowners.</p> <p>SPT engaged with organisations including Galloway Fisheries Trust and Ayrshire Rivers Trust to deliver biodiversity restoration goals and build a portfolio of future enhancement schemes for RIIO-T3. Biodiversity enhancement projects, including permitted developments, created 462 Biodiversity Units, achieving a 10% biodiversity enhancement increase.</p> <p>SPT also established its first natural capital baseline using EcoUplift across land it owns or leases, creating an evidence base to support future decision-making and integration of natural capital into project planning, land management and investment decisions.</p>

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Maximising environmental benefit from operational land	We will release unused non-operational land to local community energy projects, allowing them to use sites for free to generate and deliver energy to their local communities.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	<div>G</div>

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<p>Throughout RIIO-T2, we will release unused non-operational land to local community energy projects, allowing them to use sites for free to generate and deliver energy to their local communities. Proposal to award to potential projects / community initiatives which support the low-carbon transition.</p> <p>Benefits: Our study identified up to 20 sites initially, which conservative estimate suggest could support upwards of 4MW of new renewable generation. This initiative will promote pathways and realised opportunities for community-driven Low Carbon Generation (LCG) schemes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Assess and confirm the availability of five non-operational land sites for biodiversity use.Collaborate with Buglife and internal operational teams to implement community-focused projects at the identified sites.Engage with local community groups located near SP Transmission assets to encourage participation and input.Distribute 15 microgrants to support grassroots biodiversity initiatives led by community organisations	<div>G</div>	<p>During 2025/26, SPT continued to maximise ecological, social and environmental benefits from non-operational land through a blended approach. This included microgrants supporting 16 local community biodiversity projects and collaboration with Buglife to enhance non-operational land at four substation sites: Livingston East, Busby, Leven and Drumcross.</p> <p>Community-led projects supported community woodlands, gardens, social shelters, school garden restoration, bird-friendly and bee-friendly installations. At the four substation sites, Buglife enhanced land through native plug planting, seed sowing, hedgerow creation, bee nesting posts and bee banks, supporting pollinator connectivity. The substation works are expected to conclude in Autumn 2026.</p>

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Enhancing Visual Amenity	Where supported by visual amenity assessment and stakeholder engagement, and when cost effective to do so, we will deliver visual amenity mitigations for those existing assets not identified for upgrade or refurbishment during RIIO-T2.	By 2026	Complete	<div>G</div>

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<p>This allows us to improve visual amenity in protected landscapes such as Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and National Scenic Areas.</p> <p>Benefits: Visual amenity improvement</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Examine the visual impact of our networks in landscape areas which are eligible for the RIIO-T2 visual amenity incentiveCollaborate with stakeholders to develop a range of visual amenity improvement initiativesFocus on Overhead lines	<div>G</div>	<p>Across RIIO-T2, the VIEW project provided a positive foundation for addressing visual amenity impacts associated with existing infrastructure in Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park. Engagement with communities, landowners and stakeholders identified potential opportunities for visual enhancement and built understanding of where mitigation could deliver wider landscape, community and environmental benefits.</p> <p>SPT also contributed to Ofgem’s consideration of how visual amenity measures could be expanded in future price controls. Although there were no new project-specific updates in 2025/26, the work completed during RIIO-T2 has strengthened SPT’s approach and created a platform for RIIO-T3 Landscape Enhancement Initiative funding.</p>

Circular Economy

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Circular Economy	We will embed circular economy principles where relevant throughout our business processes, considering whole life cycle environmental impacts.	By 2023	Complete	G
	As part of our revision of design processes, we will include considerations of operational and end of life stages with the aim of designing out waste.*	By 2023	Complete	G
	We will divert 95% of our waste from landfill.	By Dec 2023	Complete	G
	We will require project Waste Management Plans for all new projects in RIIO-T2 and beyond.	By 2026	Complete	G
	We will implement metrics to measure the sustainability of our resource use, with the aim of establishing a baseline to enable target setting during RIIO-T2.	By 2023	Complete	G
	We will set targets for recycled/reused materials as a % of total input materials to be achieved by end RIIO-T2, 2030 and 2050.	By 2026	Complete	G
	We will continue our work to minimise the environmental impacts of our use of aggregates (soils and stones) via collaboration with other TOs, our supply chain and membership on infrastructure resource optimisation groups** with the aim of identifying and implementing solutions to reduce the use and disposal of aggregates, including increased use of secondary aggregates.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G
	We will continue to collaborate with environmental / waste regulators, other infrastructure companies** and our supply chain to drive sustainable resource use and waste minimisation in order to meet our RIIO-T2 and Sustainability Goals.	Throughout RIIO-T2	Complete	G

Description and expected benefit	Implementation milestones	RAG Indicator	Status Update
<p>Delivering this group of commitments will allow us to understand our waste streams and embed considerations of resource use and waste minimisation in our processes.</p> <p>Benefits: Reduction of waste to landfill and overall waste produced.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Minimise aggregates disposalContinued waste minimisationDivert 95% landfill wasteMeasure resource useDesign out waste strategyEmbed circular principlesImplement recycled/reused targetsMandate project site Waste Management Plans.	<div>G</div>	<p>In 2025, total waste generated was 225,317 tonnes, a decrease of 28,202 tonnes compared with the previous year. Reuse and recycling increased to 98.3%, keeping SPT on track towards SPEN’s goal of reusing or recycling 100% of waste by 2030, excluding compliance waste.</p> <p>SPT completed its first full year using Qflow, improving waste data quality, visibility and consistency. The tool is helping provide a clearer understanding of waste pathways and identify where waste can be avoided, reduced, reused or recycled more effectively.</p> <p>Contractor Environmental Performance Requirements have been updated so contractors provide reliable data on recycling rates for concrete, steel and aggregate. SPT is also developing a Circular Economy Action Plan and delivery plan to set out practical steps for meeting long-term circular economy ambitions in RIIO-T3.</p>

* See related commitment to align with PAS2080 in Decarbonising our network and assets and supply chain collaboration

** Via the Scottish Infrastructure Circular Economy Forum and Major Infrastructure Resource Optimisation Group.

